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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

SHOZO HATTORI, et al.

Application No.: 09/543,331

Filed: April 5, 2000

For: INK ABSORBENT, INK
TANK, INK CARTRIDGE,
METHOD FOR
MANUFACTURING INK
ABSORBENT, AND METHOD
FOR MANUFACTURING INK
TANK

Examiner: M. Nghiem

Group Art Unit: 2863

September 22, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to further extend the time for taking action in response to the Office Action dated May 21, 2003 for one month, from August 21, 2003 to Monday, September 22, 2003.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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Date of Signature

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa,
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